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In re application of:

COLLINS *et al.*

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37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825

AND

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In order to comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, that accompanied the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed April 16, 2001, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 10, with the following:

Once suitable primer sequences have been designed, they are preferably displayed, in any readable format, preferably along with information regarding the primers, reaction conditions, etc. Examples of information that can be displayed along with the primer

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